



Living in His Kingdom

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Jesus Announces the _____

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

Mark 1:14-15 (NRSV)

A _____ Hope and A _____ Reality

Let your kingdom come. Let your will be done on earth as it is done in heaven. Matthew 6:10 (GW)

No, it is rather by means of God's power that I drive out demons, and this proves that the Kingdom of God has already come to you. Luke 11:20 (TEV)

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Matthew 6:33 (NIV2011)

_____ **of the Kingdom**

- **Becomes a sturdy _____**

Again he said, "What shall we say the kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest of all seeds on earth. Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden

plants, with such big branches that the birds can perch in its shade." Mark 4:30-32 (NIV2011)

- **A _____ possession**

"The Kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure that a man discovered hidden in a field. In his excitement, he hid it again and sold everything he owned to get enough money to buy the field. Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like a merchant on the lookout for choice pearls."

Matthew 13:44-45 (NLT)

Available for _____

"The Kingdom of Heaven can be illustrated by the story of a king who prepared a great wedding feast for his son..... And he said to his servants, 'The wedding feast is ready, and the guests I invited aren't worthy of the honor. Now go out to the street corners and invite everyone you see.'" Matthew 22:8-9 (NLT)

"Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

Matthew 21:31b-32 (NRSV)

My Next Step Today Is To:

- Repent and believe so that I may enter into God's Kingdom.
- Fully seek God's Kingdom in the here and now.
- Thank God that He included me in His invitation.
- Meditate on and/or memorize Matthew 6:33